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Hartmut STROBEL et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1614  
Application No.: 10/073,307 ) Examiner: not yet assigned  
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Sir:

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO 1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits for the above-referenced application.

Copies of the listed documents are enclosed, including all documents cited in a search report from the European Patent Office in a corresponding application. Further, a copy of the search report is enclosed.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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Respectfully submitted,

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